

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

IN RE APPLICATION OF: : Rickard et al.  
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Transmission  
EXAMINER: : Li Liu  
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**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

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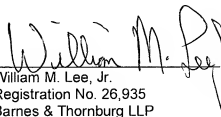
Dear Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136, the applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time of one month to respond to the Office Action of June 18, 2009. Response will therefore be timely if filed with the Patent and Trademark Office no later than October 18, 2009.

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.17, the required fee of \$130.00 should be deducted from Deposit Account No. 14-1315.

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Respectfully submitted,

  
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